

REMARKS

The applicant thanks the Examiner for the very thorough consideration given the present application. No new matter is believed to be added to the application by this Response.

Status Of The Claims

Claims 1-10 and 23-27 are pending in the application.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) based On Kubo

Claims 1-6 and 23-27 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being obvious over Kubo (U.S. Patent 6,295,109), in view of Moriyama (U.S. Patent 4,017,156) Park (U.S. Patent 6,411,347) and Okamoto (U.S. Patent 6,281,952). Claims 7-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over Kubo in view of Park and Okamoto. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Park was filed in the United States on December 17, 1998 and issued on June 25, 2002. The present application was filed in the United States on April 26, 2000 and claims priority of Korea 1999-18970 filed in Korea on May 26, 1999. Park thus qualifies as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102(e).

Also, both Park and the present invention have the same assignee: LG Philips LCD Co., Ltd.

As a result, the present invention is patentable over Park (or any combination that includes Park) under 35 U.S.C. §103(c).

These rejections are overcome and withdrawal thereof is respectfully requested.

Foreign Priority

Foreign priority was perfected by the filing of a verified translation of the priority document (Korea 1999-18970) on February 2, 2005. The Examiner is respectfully requested to acknowledge foreign priority in the next official paper.

Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding rejections and that they be withdrawn. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance.

If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone Robert E. Gozner (Reg. No. 42,593), at (703) 205-8000, in the Washington, D.C. area.

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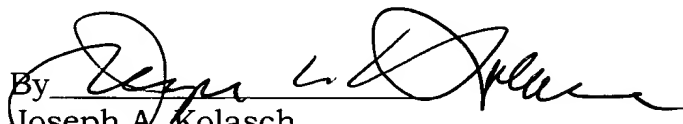
Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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